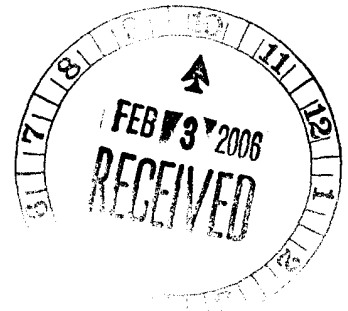


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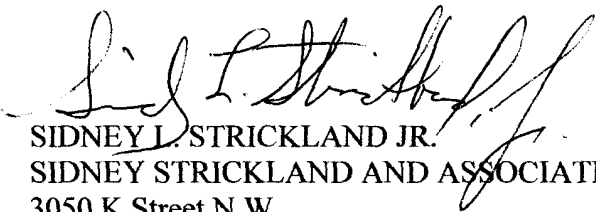
Dear Secretary Mr. Williams,

BNSF Railway Company intends to participate in the above proceeding through the Association of American Railroads (AAR), but reserves the right to comment independently. Any comments filed by other parties should be served (electronically or hard copy) on the following: Sidney L. Strickland, Jr., Sidney Strickland and Associates, 3050 K Street N.W., Suite 101, Washington, D.C. 20007-5108.

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